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Reports from Matanzas, Cardenas, Isabela de Sagua, and Caibarien.

MATANZAS, CUBA, August 15, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following sanitary report of the quarantine district under my command for the week ended August 11, 1900:

Matanzas.—Nineteen deaths occurred in the city of Matanzas during the period covered by this report, showing a mortality of 21.89 per 1,000. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Tuberculosis, 5; atresia, 3; malaria, 2; heart disease, 2; enteritis, 1; bronchitis, 1; other causes, 5. One case of dysentery was reported. Eight vessels arrived during the week; 5 of these were inspected and passed and 3 passed without inspection. The German steamship *Pionier*, from Havana, Cuba, bound for Mobile, Ala., was disinfected at this port August 5, 1900.

Two bills of health were issued to foreign vessels. Two health certificates were issued to persons leaving the island via Havana. Thirty-seven health and acclimation certificates were issued to laborers employed by the Munson boats for discharging cargoes at ports of destination on the north coast of the island. Five pieces of baggage were inspected and passed and 36 bundles of clothes and bedding were disinfected belonging to the German steamship *Pionier*.

Cardenas.—Acting Asst. Surg. Enrique Saez reports that 13 deaths occurred at Cardenas during the week. The principal causes of deaths were as follows: Tuberculosis, 2; tetanus, 2; meningitis, 2; enteritis, 1; enteritis tuberculosis, 1; dysentery, 1; typhoid fever, 1, other causes, 3. The death rate during the week was 27.31 per 1,000. Fourteen vessels arrived during the week; 1 of these was a foreign vessel and 13 were coasting vessels. Three bills of health were issued to foreign vessels.

Isabela de Sagua.—Acting Asst. Surg. Pedro Garcia Riera reports that the death rate during the week was 37.55 per 1,000. One foreign vessel arrived during the week. Two bills of health were issued to foreign vessels and 9 certificates of inspection to coasting vessels.

Caibarien.—Acting Asst. Surg. Leoncio Junco reports that the sanitary condition of port and town is excellent, the prevalent disease being malaria of a benign type. Three bills of health were issued to foreign vessels and 2 certificates of inspection to coasting vessels. Five vessels arrived during the week; 2 of these were foreign vessels and 3 were coasting vessels.

Respectfully,

G. M. GUITÉRAS.

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine Hospital Service.

Case of yellow fever in Matanzas.

MATANZAS, CUBA, August 26, 1900.

Case yellow fever hospital corps man diagnosed to-day.

GUITÉRAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.